

CALIFORNIA REGIONAL WATER QUALITY CONTROL BOARD
CENTRAL VALLEY REGION

415 Knollcrest Drive, Suite 100, Redding, CA 96002

PUBLIC HEARING
concerning

Consideration of Renewal of Waste Discharge Requirements
(National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System Permit No. CA0003981)
for

**SIERRA PACIFIC INDUSTRIES, BURNEY DIVISION
SAWMILL AND COGENERATION FACILITY
SHASTA COUNTY**

Sierra Pacific Industries, Inc., Burney Division (Discharger) owns and operates a sawmill and cogeneration facility and discharges storm water to Canyon Creek tributary to Burney Creek, in Shasta County. Log deck sprinkling water is contained in a retention pond, and following containment of the wet weather first flush, subsequent storm water from the log deck is discharged to Canyon Creek. Industrial storm water from other parts of the facility are also discharged to Canyon Creek. The Discharger's mailing address is P.O. Box 2677, Burney, CA 96013. The discharge is regulated under an existing National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) permit. The Discharger submitted a Report of Waste Discharge and requested renewal of the existing NPDES permit. Staff recommends the Regional Water Quality Control Board adopt the NPDES permit regulating the discharge from the facility.

A public hearing concerning this matter will be held during the Regional Board meeting that is scheduled for:

DATE: 25 and 26 October 2007
TIME: 8:30 a.m.
PLACE: Central Valley Regional Water Quality Control Board
11020 Sun Center Drive #200, Rancho Cordova, CA

The designated parties for this hearing are as follows:

- Staff of Central Valley Regional Board
- Sierra Pacific Industries

Only designated parties will have these rights: to call and examine witnesses; to introduce exhibits; to cross-examine opposing witnesses; to impeach any witness; and to rebut the evidence against him or her. All other persons wishing to testify or provide comments are interested persons and not designated parties. Such interested persons may request status as a designated party for purposes of this hearing by submitting such request in writing to the Board no later than **noon on 21 September 2007**. The request must explain the basis for status as a designated party and in particular how the person is directly affected by the discharge.

The tentative Waste Discharge Requirements Order No. CA0003981 was issued on 22 August 2007. Persons wishing to comment on this noticed hearing item shall submit

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testimony, evidence, if any, and/or comments in writing to the Regional Board no later than by **noon on 21 September 2007**. Written evidence or comments submitted after **noon on 21 September 2007** will not be accepted and will not be incorporated into the administrative record if doing so would prejudice any party.

All designated parties and interested persons may speak at the Regional Board meeting, and are expected to orally summarize their written submittals. Oral testimony and cross examination will be limited in time by the Board Chair.

Anyone having questions on the Sierra Pacific Industries, Burney Division sawmill and cogeneration facility should contact Dan Warner by telephone at (530) 224-4848. Interested parties may download the proposed Order and related documents from the Regional Board's Internet website at <http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/centralvalley/tentative/>. Copies of these documents can also be obtained by contacting or visiting the Regional Board's office at 415 Knollcrest Drive, Suite 100, Redding, CA 96002-0129 weekdays between 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m.

The procedures governing Regional Water Board meetings may be found at Title 23, California Code of Regulations, Section 647 et seq. and are available upon request. Hearings before the Regional Water Board are not conducted pursuant to Government Code section 11500 et seq. The procedures may be obtained by accessing http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/water_laws/. Information on meeting and hearing procedures is also available on the Regional Board's website at http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/centralvalley/board_meetings/mtgprocd.html or by contacting any one of the Board's offices. Questions regarding such procedures should be directed to Ms. Kiran Lanfranchi-Rizzardi at (916) 464-4839.

The hearing facilities will be accessible to persons with disabilities. Individuals requiring special accommodations are requested to contact Ms. Kiran Lanfranchi-Rizzardi at (916) 464-4839 at least 5 working days prior to the meeting. TTY users may contact the California Relay Service at 1-800-735-2929 or voice line at 1-800-735-2922.

Please bring the above information to the attention of anyone you know who would be interested in this matter.

ORIGINAL SIGNED BY

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